

January 12, 2022

The regular meeting of the Everett City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m., January 12, 2022, President Stonecipher presiding. President Stonecipher announced that the Council is still abiding by Governor Inslee's Healthy Washington guidelines, and as a result, City Council meetings will continue to be held remotely with all meetings scheduled at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday, except the fourth Wednesday of the month when the meeting is scheduled at 12:30 p.m. She stated the City Council is prepared to open the Council chambers when public health considerations indicate it is safe to do so.

President Stonecipher announced that the public is encouraged to view meetings live on Comcast Channel 21, Frontier Channel 29, and on the City website at [www.everettwa.gov/citycouncil](http://www.everettwa.gov/citycouncil). Individuals may also call in to listen to the live meeting at any point by dialing 425.616.3920, Conference ID 724 887 726#. She stated the public is welcome to provide comments on any matter via email at [council@everettwa.gov](mailto:council@everettwa.gov). She also provided instructions for community members wishing to participate live during a future meeting. She asked that comments be respectful, and remarks limited to three minutes. She added that the Council does not allow comments on certain issues such as: campaigning of any kind – whether for or against ballot measures or candidates running for office, which is legally prohibited at the meeting, and comments focused on personal matters that are unrelated to City business.

Upon roll call, it was found that Mayor Franklin and Council Members Fosse, Zarlingo, Rhyne, Schwab, Vogeli, Tuohy and President Stonecipher were present.

On behalf of the City Council, Council Member Rhyne acknowledged the original inhabitants of this place, the sduhubš people and their successors, the Tulalip Tribes.

Council Member Zarlingo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the January 2, 2022, City Council special meeting were approved as printed.

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The minutes of the January 5, 2022, City Council meeting were approved as printed.

MAYOR

Mayor Franklin recommended that the following applicants be appointed to a City of Everett Board or Commission. Each candidate has been interviewed by staff. With each appointment recommendation, equity, geographic location, diversity of thought, and applicable background was all taken into consideration.

APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS

**Moved by Council Member Tuohy, seconded by Council Member Fosse, to concur with the following appointments:**

Everett Library Board

- POS 2, Joshua Glasgow: 4 - year term

Civil Service Commission

- POS 3, Scott Bader: 6 - year term

Everett Housing Authority

- POS 1, John Traynor: filling vacancy ending Oct 2023
- POS 2, Paul Manselle: 5 - year term
- POS 4, George Perez: 5 - year term

Board of Park Commissioners

- POS 1, Erica Diaz: 1 - year term
- POS 2, Will Kaage: 5 - year term
- POS 3, Jacob Close: 6 - year term
- POS 4, Monica Szarvas 6 - year term

Diversity Board

- POS 8, James Simek: 2 - year term
- POS 9, Ozge Demirci-Richardson: 2 - year term
- POS 10, Jeanne Berry: 2 - year term

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- POS 11, Tamar Caldwell: filling vacancy ending December 31, 2022
- POS 12, Grace Martinez 2 - year term
- POS 13, Zaid Almahna 2 - year term
- POS 14, Natalia Tune 2 - year term
- POS 15, Terry Lott 2 - year term

Historical Commission

- Collin Palen: 6 - year term
- Madison Vazquez: 6 - year term
- Theresa Gemmer: alternate position 6 - year term
- Ashli Bush: alternate position 6 - year term

Citizen Advisory Committee

- POS 2, Kathy Lynott: filling vacancy to end December 31, 2026
- POS 3, Matt Bissell: 6 - year term
- POS 4, Larissa Knopp: filling vacancy to end Dec 31, 2022
- POS 5, Michele Martin: 6 - year term
- POS 8, Christopher Dingle: 6 - year term
- POS 9, Marian (Molly) Eberhardt: 6 - year term
- POS 10, Josh Brunner: filling vacancy ending December 31, 2022

Transportation Advisory Committee

- POS 3, Stephen Fickenschier: 6 - year term
- POS 7, Danielle Wilkins: filling vacancy to end December 31, 2024

Public Facilities District

- Julio Cortes: 4 - year term
- Scott Murphy: 4 – year term

Council Members thanked the newly appointed board, committee, and commission members for their willingness to serve the City and community.

Council Member Vogeli asked if the same person could serve on more than one board or commission. Mayor Franklin replied that individuals can serve on more than one board or commission during any given term.

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Roll was called with all council members voting yes.

**Motion carried.**

COUNCIL

Council Member Fosse attended the Riverside Neighborhood Association meeting at which a status update was requested regarding some of the parks restrooms. She requested follow-up information on that issue. She attended the Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management Policy Board and received a briefing on the upcoming 2022 Legislative Session, which focused on growth management bills. She mentioned that she is Chair of the Planning Committee, will serve on the Economic and Cultural Vitality and Public Safety Committees, and will also be an alternate for Snohomish County Tomorrow. She is looking forward to attending the Cultural Arts Commission and Historical Commission meetings soon.

Council Member Zarlingo wanted to thank staff for preliminary briefings on a number of items in advance council assignment meetings, which will allow them to get off the ground as quickly as possible. He also thanked Council Member Vogeli for getting underway with the Parks Committee duties and is looking forward to meeting with them in the future.

Council Member Rhyne stated that she will be starting liaison meetings next week. She looks forward to meeting with community members to discuss how Everett can be a great partner in the interests they have been working on. She is also excited to get in touch with individuals who applied for the districting commission to discuss qualifications and interests. Lastly, she made comments on the Providence Hospital situation relating to the pandemic. According to the Snohomish Health District, of the ICU beds that are filled with COVID patients, ninety percent are unvaccinated. She encouraged people to get vaccinated to protect themselves and others.

Council Member Schwab wanted to thank the Mayor's staff for working on the boards and commissions and thanked Deb Williams for her work in bringing the new council members on board. He also stated that he will be interviewing applicants who applied to serve on the Districting Commission.



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Council Member Vogeli attended the Westmont - Holly Neighborhood Association meeting at which quality-of-life issues were discussed. She also attended a Municipal Research Services Center (MRSC) webinar on local climate response, building resiliency, and adapting to impacts. The webinar provided information on the Puget Sound Climate Preparedness Collaborative. Council Member Vogeli believes the City should join the Collaborative to improve outcomes of climate change preparedness efforts. She offered to complete the membership forms and serve as the contact person, if appropriate. She also spoke on personal care and safety regarding the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

President Stonecipher stated that next week there would be an opportunity to nominate individuals to serve on the districting commission. She also noted that she will be absent at the next Council meeting and will provide her nominations to the City Attorney. Council Member Vogeli will preside over next week's meeting. President Stonecipher announced that the Council Retreat is scheduled for January 28<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. She also provided an update on Providence Hospital. Providence has over 180 COVID patients admitted—most of whom are unvaccinated—which is more than double from the past few months. She encouraged the public get vaccinated and follow masking protocols to help stop the spread of the virus.

#### ADMINISTRATION UPDATE ON PRIOR BUSINESS

Deputy Mayor Nick Harper had no updates.

#### CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney David Hall had no comments but requested a 15-minute Executive Session to discuss a legal matter, pursuant RCW 42.30.110(i) with no action to follow.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Deb Williams stated the Council received no written comments from the public and no one from the public wished to speak.

CONSENT ITEMS:

**Moved by Council Member Tuohy, seconded by Council Member Vogeli, to approve the following consent items:**

RESOLUTION - CLAIMS

**To adopt Resolution No. 7735 authorizing claims against the City of Everett in the amount of \$1,966,562.04 for the period of December 25, 2021, through December 31, 2021.**

Roll was called with all council members voting yes.

**Motion carried.**

PROPOSED ACTION ITEMS:

COUNCIL BILL 2201-01

FIRST READING:

AN ORDINANCE closing a Special Improvement Project entitled "Sewer "O" Utility Upgrades" Fund 336, Program 013, as established by Ordinance No. 3760-20

COUNCIL BRIEFING AGENDA:

*2022 State Legislative Update*

Presented by Deputy Mayor Nick Harper, Administration; and the City's state lobbyists, Lyset Cadena and Erin Dziedzic.

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Discussion followed among Council Members Fosse, Zarlingo, Rhyne, Schwab, Vogeli, and Tuohy, President Stonecipher, Mayor Franklin, Deputy Mayor Nick Harper, Lyset Cadena, and Erin Dziedzic.

*Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Plan – General Briefing*

Presented by Parks and Facilities Director Bob Leonard, Parks and Community Services Department; and Lisa Grueter from BERK Consulting

Discussion followed among Council Members Fosse, Zarlingo, Rhyne, Schwab, Vogeli, and Tuohy, President Stonecipher, Mayor Franklin, Lisa Grueter, and Bob Leonard.

Mayor Franklin acknowledged and thanked Council Member Touhy for her support and BERK Consulting, Bob Leonard, and city staff for their continued efforts.

Bob Leonard stated the next briefing would be on February 9, 2022.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council recessed for an Executive Session at 7:49 p.m., began the Executive Session at 7:50 p.m.

The City Council meeting reconvened at 8:05 p.m.

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

  
Deputy City Clerk

Read and approved as printed.

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Council President